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GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY CHIEF SECRETARIAT (FISHERIES)

(G.O. Ms. No. 6/Fy, dated 29th April 2015)

NOTIFICATION

The Lieutenant-Governor, Puducherry is pleased to approve the proposal for inclusion of the new scheme component "Grant of subsidy to freshwater/brackish water fish farmers for undertaking *Litopenaeus vannamei* Culture for implementation in the Union territory of Puducherry" under the scheme "Development of Fresh Water Aquaculture and setting up of Aquarium, Ornamental Fish Breeding Centre 2008" in the notification issued *vide* G.O. Ms. No. 8/Fy, dated 28-3-2008 of the Chief Secretariat (Fisheries), Government of Puducherry and published in

the Gazette of Puducherry and for the said purpose, the Lieutenant-Governor hereby notifies the rules for the grant of subsidy to freshwater/brackish water fish farmers undertaking "Litopenaeus vannamei Culture for implementation in the Union territory of Puducherry under the scheme "Development of Fresh Water Aquaculture and setting up of Aquarium, Ornamental Fish Breeding Centre 2008" as detailed in the Annexure.

2. This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department, Puducherry *vide* their U.O. No. 3922/2014-15/F4, dated 26-3-2015.

(By order of the Lieutenant-Governor)

T. VALARMATHY,

Under Secretary to Government (Fisheries).

ANNEXURE

GUIDELINES FOR THE NEW SCHEME COMPONENT GRANT OF SUBSIDY TO FRESH WATER/BRACKISH WATER FISH FARMERS UNDERTAKING" "LITOPENAEUS VANNAMEI CULTURE" FOR IMPLEMENTATION IN THE UNION TERRITORY OF PUDUCHERRY UNDER THE SCHEME "DEVELOPMENT OF FRESH WATER AQUACULTURE AND SETTING UP OF AQUARIUM, ORNAMENTAL FISH BREEDING CENTRE 2008".

- 1. Short title, extent and commencement.— (i) These rules may be called "Grant of subsidy to fresh water/brackish water fish farmers for undertaking *Litopenaeus vannamei* Culture' in the Union territory of Puducherry 2015".
- (ii) They shall extend to the whole of the Union territory of Puducherry.
- (iii) They shall come into force on and from the date of its publication in the official gazette.
- 2. Objective.— The objective of the scheme is to augment food production by way of practicing specific pathogen free prawn "Litopenaeus vannamei Culture" in fresh water/brackish water bodies to get more benefit.

- 3. *Scope*.— Assistance by way of subsidy shall be made to the fish farmers for the purchase of required inputs such as prawn seeds, manure, feed, etc.
- 4. *Eligibility*.— (i) The applicant shall be in possession of suitable water bodies for prawn culture in Union territory of Puducherry.
- (ii) The applicant should submit sufficient proof of possession of water bodies, *viz.*, either by absolute ownership or on lease.
- (iii) The applicant must be a resident of Union territory of Puducherry and shall enclose a certificate from the Revenue Authorities to that effect.
- (iv) The farmers should possess a valid licence issued by the Coastal Aquaculture Authority for undertaking brackish water aquaculture.
- (v) The farmers should possess licence issued by the State Fisheries Department for undertaking fresh water "Litopenaeus vannamei Culture" and strictly follow the guidelines issued by the Government from time to time.
- 5. *Target group.* Fish farmers of Union territory of Puducherry fulfilling the eligibility criteria.
- 6. Application for benefitting under the scheme component.—
 The application in Form-1 shall be had from the Pondicherry State
 Fishermen Co-operative Federation Limited, Puducherry/The Karaikal
 Fishermen Co-operative Marketing Union Limited, Karaikal/The Assistant
 Director of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, Mahe/The Assistant Director
 of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, Yanam of the respective regions. The
 filled-in application along with relevant documents should be submitted
 to the scheme implementing officers within the prescribed period as
 notified from time to time.
- 7. Methodology of selection.— Completed application in the prescribed form received will be scruitinised by the District Level Team constituted vide G.O. Ms. No. 36/2011(Fisheries), dated 1-11-2011 and with due recommendations, the applications will be forwarded to the selection committee constituted under clause 8 for selection of eligible applicants for grant of assistance under this scheme.

The selection committee identifies the eligible applicants among the recommended cases and shall forward their recommendations thereon to the Department of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare for grant of assistance under this scheme.

- 8. Selection committee.—
- (1) Director of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, .. Chairman Puducherry.
- (2) Joint Director of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, ... Member Puducherry.
- (3) Chief Executive Officer, Fish Farmers Development . . Member Agency, Puducherry for Puducherry, Mahe and Yanam regions.
 - Chief Executive Officer, Fish Farmers Development Agency, Karaikal for Karaikal region.
- (4) Administrator/Secretary, Pondicherry State Fishermen . . Member Co-operative Federation Limited, Puducherry for Puducherry region.

Administrator/Secretary, Karaikal Fishermen Co-operative Marketing Union Limited, Karaikal for Karaikal region.

Administrator/ Secretary/President, Mahe Fishermen Co-operative Society, Mahe for Mahe region.

Administrator/Secretary/President, Agraharam Fishermen Co-operative Society, Yanam for Yanam region.

(5) Deputy Director of Fisheries and Fishermen .. Member-Welfare, (Inland) for Puducherry region. Secretary.

Deputy Director of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, Karaikal for Karaikal region.

Assistant Director of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, Mahe for Mahe region.

Assistant Director of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, Yanam for Yanam region.

- 9. Pattern of assistance.— The subsidy for undertaking "Litopenaeus vannamei Culture" at the rate of ₹10,000 (Rupees ten thousand only) per acre restricted to 3 acres per fish farmer per year.
- 10. *Mode of payment*.— The payment of subsidy amount to the eligible farmers will be made through ECS.
- 11. Interpretation and clarification.— If any doubt arises with regard to the implementation of any provision of this scheme and implementation thereof, the matter shall be referred to the Director of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, Puducherry whose decision thereon shall be final and binding on all parties of dispute.

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